



# James Martin Cotton

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**J**ames Martin Cotton, 74, letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service passed away October 21, 2015 in Broken Arrow, OK. He was born September 22, 1941 in Charleston, AR to James Alvin and Annie Opal (Guhl) Cotton. Visitation will be 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM with the family receiving friends from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, Saturday, October 24th, Floral Haven Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 3:00 PM, Sunday, October 25th, Floral Haven Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside service will be 3:00 PM, Monday, October 26th, Floral Haven Memorial Gardens.



## Tribute Wall

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**Vicki Cotton** posted:

James Martin Cotton (Marty) was born September 22, 1941 in Charleston, Ark. To James and Annie Cotton who preceded him in death. Marty graduated from Union Consolidated Schools in 1960. He was an outstanding football player, he was team captain and 1959 named "Best Lineman". After graduation Marty joined the Navy. He served from 1961 to 1965 aboard the USS Wright. After his discharge he was hired by the U.S. Postal Service as a Distribution Clerk in Tulsa. He left for a year and hired back in as a Letter Carrier in Broken Arrow in 1973 where he remained until his retirement in 1998. He was a proud member of the National Association of Letter Carrier Local 1358 for 42 years. Marty married Vicki Bishop on November 15th, 1974. They resided in Broken Arrow for their married life. He loved his dogs, and would take in abandoned pets when they came to the door. He was always concerned they would forget him when he was gone too long. That was not the case they were happy to see him when he returned. They were a pleasure and comfort to him. He loved football, was an avid Pittsburgh Steeler fan. He also rooted for the Washington Redskins and the University of Tulsa who he would watch on TV or listened to on the radio. He shared his knowledge of sports with the youth of Broken Arrow in the early 70's coaching both Pee Wee Football and Little League baseball. Marty loved life, he was happiest on either the lawn mower or his tractor. He took care of his yard and anyone else that needed theirs mowed he was there to do it for them. He enjoyed sitting in the backyard under his Elm tree reading the newspaper and drinking coffee waiting on the grass to dry out enough to mow. In the evenings he would visit with neighbors and solve the problems of the world while watching over the neighborhood. He was a caring man one who was loyal. Everyone who knew him always liked to be around him. They loved his laugh. Towards the end when friends came to visit they could always get him to laugh. He was a joy to be around. He leaves behind his wife and best friend of 42 years Vicki of the home, brother Bill Cotton, sister-in-law Pam Cotton. He took pride in his nephews and nieces and their children and his Uncle Clarence. Marty left this world and those he met in a better place for having known him. He will be greatly missed by everyone who came in contact with him.

October 25 at 5:59 PM

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**Larry & Lana Hurt (Patriot Guard Riders)** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of James Martin Cotton

October 25 at 2:52 PM



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**George Goins** posted:

Marty was a good friend and "cousin". We discovered we were "related" when I found out that my half-brother was a distant cousin of his. His friendship was to be cherished. When the BA National Guard had their parade after Desert Storm, Marty pulled a trailer that had WWII veterans on it. I guess the most fun we had was when we worked at McDonalds. He was the chief cook for the breakfast period. He and I used to drive the young kids there up the wall but it was all in fun. Marty was always there when someone/anyone needed some help. He was a good guy, a Navy veteran and my "cousin". He will be missed. Rest in peace, Marty.

October 25 at 7:05 AM



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